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1. [redacted] in Kherson [redacted] a heavy cruiser which had three stacks and two radar antennas. [redacted] On the way from Odessa to Kherson, [redacted] ship was followed occasionally by searchlights, and the firing of guns could be heard. The pilot boarded at Odessa and took [redacted] ship to Kherson on a course he plotted himself. [redacted] there was a mine field in the area which is shaded on Sketch No. 1 on page 2. 25X1
2. In Kherson, two jet fighter-type aircraft flew over the ship at a very low altitude.
3. [redacted] At Position No. 3, a Soviet ship took on iron ore; [redacted] displaced about 7,000 tons. 25X1
4. Activity at the port had increased [redacted] There were more flat-bottomed boats and motorboats at the port. Two floating drydocks were berthed in front of the quay. Both drydocks were empty [redacted] 25X1
5. On 1 June 1954, a tanker was launched from the dockyard. (See Sketch No. 2 for location of this dockyard.) [redacted] The dockyard's capacity was only one such ship, but [redacted] the dockyard was also equipped with facilities for the construction and repair of motorboats and tugs. There were three large new cranes of Soviet construction at the dockyard. 25X1
6. [redacted] 25X1

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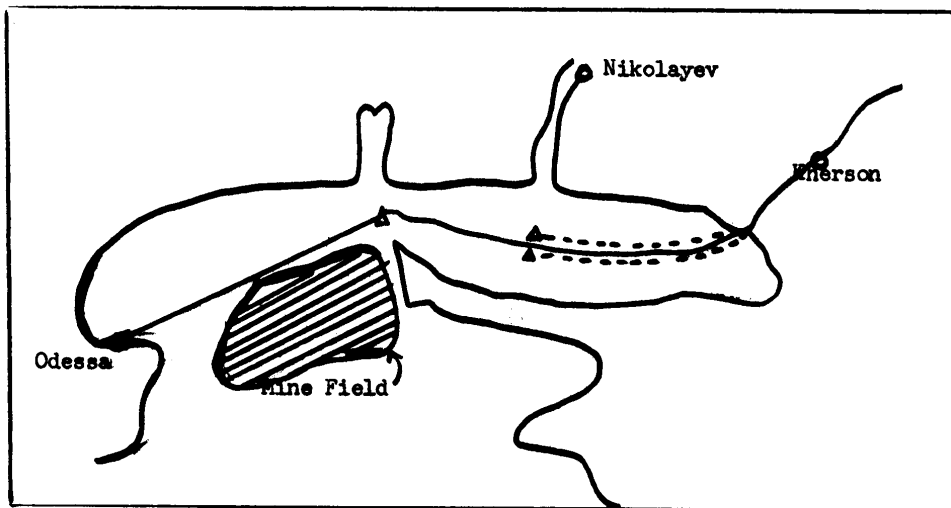
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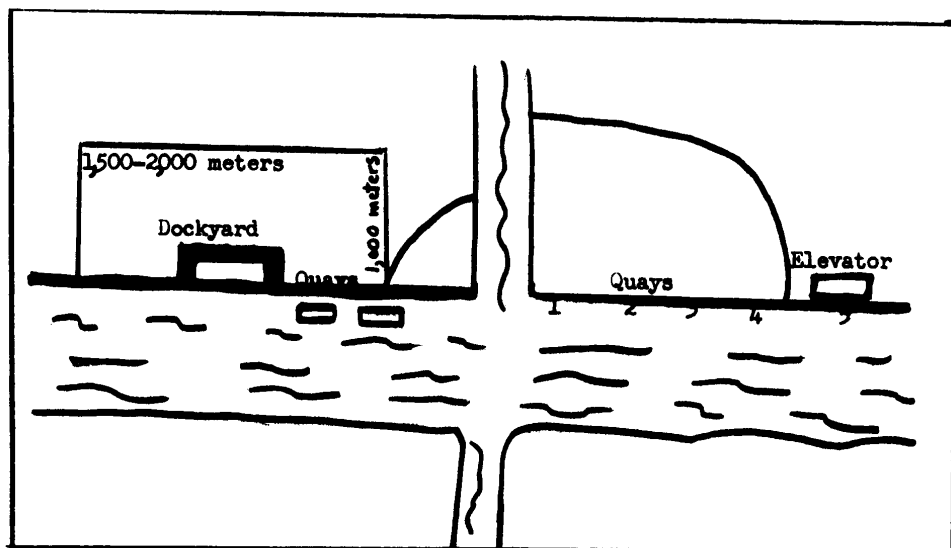
7. A few sailors and customs guards were observed in Kherson, but no army personnel were seen.

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SKETCH NO. 1



SKETCH NO. 2



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